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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: CH, UR, PEPR
SUBJECT: SOVIET MESSAGE TO NPC

REF: PEKING 656

1. CHINESE DIPLOMATS HERE ARE TELLING THEIR DIPLOMATIC COLLEAGUES THAT SUPREME SOVIET-NPC CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE CONTAINS NOTHING NEW AND WAS FILLED WITH PROPAGANDA. THEY HOLD SOVIETS PROBABLY FORMULATED AND DISPATCHED MESSAGE WITH THE INTENTION TO PUBLISH IT LATER AS A PROPAGANDA PLAY TO ILLUSTRATE ALLEGED CHINESE INTRANSIGENCE IN RESOLVING SINO-SOVIET DIFFERENCES. CHINESE FURTHER CONFIRMED THAT MESSAGE WAS DELIVERED TO CHINESE CHARGE HERE AFTER DEPARTURE OF CHINESE AMBASSADOR TO ATTEND NPC AND
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TO PRC VICE FOREIGN MINISTER IN PEKING.

2. SOVIET PRESS HAS NOT YET PUBLISHED SUPREME SOVIET MESSAGE. MARCH 11 IZVESTIYA PUBLISHED ONE LINE MESSAGES FROM BREZHNEV AND KOSYGIN TO YEH CHIEN-YING AND HUA KUO-FENG CONGRATULATING THEM FOR THEIR ELECTION TO POSTS OF CHAIRMAN OF THE NPC STANDING COMMITTEE AND PREMIER.

3. COMMENT: A CHECK OF EMBASSY FILES AND THE SOVIET PRESS INDICATES THAT NO SUPREME SOVIET MESSAGE WAS SENT TO THE LAST NPC MEETING IN JANUARY, 1975. DESPITE THIS, AND ALTHOUGH WE HAVE NOT YET SEEN TEXT OF THE RECENT SUPREME SOVIET MESSAGE, WE WOULD TEND TO DISCOUNT MESSAGE'S IMPORTANCE. WE WOULD GUESS THAT ITS ALLEGED "CONCRETE SUGGESTIONS," LIKE THE SOVIET DRAFT OF SOVIET-JAPANESE GOOD NEIGHBOR AND COOPERATION TREATY, ARE REHASES OF OLD SOVIET "PROPOSALS" WHICH THE CHINESE ARE NOT LIKELY TO BUY. TOON

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